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X-Cycle Practice Sudoku

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Every puzzle in this booklet is filtered to require X-Cycle. It is designed for solvers who want deliberate, targeted practice on paper.

DIFFICULTY

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LAYOUT

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TECHNIQUE

X-Cycle

CANDIDATES

Off

ANSWER KEY

Included at the end

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A4 / US Letter

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HINT SUPPORT

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#1 (ID: #410946)

SCORE: 489

STEPS: 77

Level 9

			1			7		
	3			4				
5				2		6		3
	9		2			3	5	
				5	7	8		2
								6
4								
8							7	
		2	8	9				5

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, Hidden Triples, 2-String Kite, Skyscraper, Turbot Fish, XY-Chain, X-Cycle, Chute Remote Pairs, Unique Rectangle Type 4

#2 (ID: #451801)

SCORE: 344

STEPS: 73

Level 9

		6	2					1
		5	7					
	3						2	4
5							6	
9			6	8			7	
							1	9
1							2	
	8			7				6
2			9		4			

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, Naked Triples, XY-Wing, 2-String Kite, Skyscraper, 3 Strong Links, X-Cycle, Unique Rectangle Type 3

#3 (ID: #463265)

SCORE: 544

STEPS: 85

Level 9

	9		8				4	
	1	2		5				
							3	5
6	2		9					
			5	7		4		
4							2	
	5							1
9			1				8	
		1	2					6

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Hidden Pairs, X-Wing, WXYZ-Wing, VWXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, Turbot Fish, Grouped Turbot Crane, XY-Chain, X-Cycle, Chute Remote Pairs, Unique Rectangle Type 4

#4 (ID: #465095)

SCORE: 730

STEPS: 94

Level 9

5			7					
9	2	8						
			2	9	3	8		
		4			5			
1								3
			6				9	
	7			2				4
		6	9			3	8	
			3		6			

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, WXYZ-Wing, Skyscraper, 3 Strong Links, 4 Strong Links, Grouped 2-String Kite, X-Cycle

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#5 (ID: #484847)

SCORE: 574

STEPS: 83

Level 9

		9		7	5			
								6
	6		3		9		1	
		6			4			
8					2	3		
	2		7				9	
	1			4		5	7	
						4		
	7						6	3

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, X-Wing, XY-Wing, WXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, Skyscraper, Turbot Fish, 3 Strong Links, 4 Strong Links, XY-Chain, X-Cycle, Chute Remote Pairs

#6 (ID: #524983)

SCORE: 331

STEPS: 68

Level 9

	9		6					
	2						4	
4		5		3		8		9
5			3				6	
3					9	5		
					8	1		
	5	7		9			3	
					4	5	6	
		4	2					

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, WXYZ-Wing, Skyscraper, Turbot Fish, 3 Strong Links, Grouped Turbot Crane, XY-Chain, X-Cycle

#7 (ID: #524990)

SCORE: 332

STEPS: 69

Level 9

	3		2					
	7						9	
9		6		8		5		3
			8				2	
8					3	6		
					5	1		
	6	4		3			8	
				9	6	2		
		9	7					

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, WXYZ-Wing, Skyscraper, Turbot Fish, 3 Strong Links, Grouped Turbot Crane, XY-Chain, X-Cycle

#8 (ID: #524997)

SCORE: 421

STEPS: 75

Level 9

	8		2					
	4						6	
6		5		9		7		8
5			9				2	
9					8	5		
					7	1		
		3		8			9	
				6	5	2		
		6	4					

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Naked Pairs, VWXYZ-Wing, Skyscraper, Turbot Fish, 3 Strong Links, Grouped Turbot Crane, XY-Chain, X-Cycle

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#9 (ID: #540040)

SCORE: 267

STEPS: 66

Level 9

5								
				5		8		
3		2	7				6	4
		7						
		5			3			8
			8				9	7
				6				3
	2	3						1
7		6		9		2		

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Claiming, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, XYZ-Wing, WXYZ-Wing, Skyscraper, X-Cycle, BUG (Bivalue Universal Grave)

#10 (ID: #540041)

SCORE: 267

STEPS: 66

Level 9

1								
				1		5		
4		8	2				9	6
		2						9
		1			4			
			5				3	2
				9				4
	8	4						7
2		9		3		8		

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Claiming, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, XYZ-Wing, WXYZ-Wing, Skyscraper, X-Cycle, BUG (Bivalue Universal Grave)

#11 (ID: #540057)

SCORE: 267

STEPS: 66

Level 9

1							3	
				1		9		
8		6	5				4	7
		5						
		1			8			9
			9				2	
				4				8
	6	8						3
5		4		2		6		

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Claiming, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, XYZ-Wing, WXYZ-Wing, Skyscraper, X-Cycle, BUG (Bivalue Universal Grave)

#12 (ID: #15404)

SCORE: 692

STEPS: 85

Level 10

1							8	
7		9			2			1
	1				8			
6		8	3					7
2	9				7			
			4		6	2		8
		3		9				6
	6		2	7		1		9

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, WXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, Skyscraper, Turbot Fish, 3 Strong Links, Grouped Turbot Crane, X-Cycle, Chute Remote Pairs, BUG (Bivalue Universal Grave)

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#13 (ID: #21926)

SCORE: 747

STEPS: 89

Level 10

		4	3					6
8				9		7	1	
	9						2	
	6			4	1			
3			7		9			8
4	7	9						
					3			
9					8			1
	1	6						

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, WXYZ-Wing, VWXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, XY-Chain, X-Cycle

#14 (ID: #31084)

SCORE: 656

STEPS: 86

Level 10

		2			1	9		
				3	5		7	
		3	7					8
7		5		2				
6	9				8	5		
	2				6			7
	8	7				2		5
9		6		5			8	

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, WXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, 4 Strong Links, Grouped Skyscraper, X-Cycle, Unique Rectangle Type 1, Unique Rectangle Type 2

#15 (ID: #32244)

SCORE: 620

STEPS: 79

Level 10

	2			9	7		1	
	9		7			2	5	
		3					9	
4				8				5
	8		3					
	7	2		9			1	
				4		1	3	
8								
							7	2

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, XY-Wing, WXYZ-Wing, Skyscraper, 3 Strong Links, Grouped 2-String Kite, XY-Chain, X-Cycle, Chute Remote Pairs

#16 (ID: #45650)

SCORE: 223

STEPS: 64

Level 10

		8			7		1	5
5				1	4	8		7
9	7					2		4
6					1			
7		4		9	5			1
			8	6				
								8
		9	7	8				
	2		5					

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Hidden Pairs, Turbot Fish, X-Cycle, Chute Remote Pairs

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#17 (ID: #45960)

SCORE: 610

STEPS: 84

Level 10

		5		7				3
		3			9	7	4	
			4		1			
		1			2		3	
			3		7	4		6
							9	
6		2	1				7	
					5	9		
	9							2

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Naked Triples, XY-Wing, WXYZ-Wing, VWXYZ-Wing, Skyscraper, Turbot Fish, 3 Strong Links, Grouped 2-String Kite, X-Cycle

#18 (ID: #49217)

SCORE: 415

STEPS: 73

Level 10

9	5	6		1	4	3		7
1					3		5	
				7				
6	8	1						
3		7			8		6	
7				3	5	4		
	3	9	7			5		
				4	9			

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Naked Pairs, Hidden Pairs, VWXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, Skyscraper, Grouped 2-String Kite, X-Cycle, Chute Remote Pairs, Unique Rectangle Type 4

#19 (ID: #54840)

SCORE: 389

STEPS: 70

Level 10

			6			7	1	
8	3				7	4		
6								
			4			6	2	3
								1
				6		8		4
	2			3				
	6	3		1				
9		1	8		4		6	

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Naked Pairs, XYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, Skyscraper, 3 Strong Links, Grouped Turbot Crane, XY-Chain, X-Cycle

#20 (ID: #55147)

SCORE: 420

STEPS: 74

Level 10

	4			6			5	
1	6	8						7
7								
6					2		7	
					4	5		
		2						6
9				8				
	5			2	4		9	6
				9		5	2	

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, X-Wing, XY-Wing, WXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, Skyscraper, 3 Strong Links, X-Cycle

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#21 (ID: #57045)

SCORE: 860

STEPS: 93

Level 10

2	4			6		1		3
6						5		
		6		9	3			2
					8	4		
8			2		4	3	1	
5	3		1					
		9		4				1
						2		

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Hidden Pairs, XY-Wing, VWXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, Turbot Fish, 3 Strong Links, XY-Chain, X-Cycle

#22 (ID: #60930)

SCORE: 559

STEPS: 80

Level 10

6								
		8			5	1		
1		2		7				6
	7	6		2				8
9					1			
2	4							
				1			8	
				4		2		7
7		9		8	6		2	

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Hidden Triples, VWXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, Turbot Fish, 3 Strong Links, Grouped Skyscraper, XY-Chain, X-Cycle, Chute Remote Pairs

#23 (ID: #64184)

SCORE: 607

STEPS: 83

Level 10

	9		8		4			
	8	3		6			5	
				5	9			
5	3			4				
			3				6	1
					8			
2	6					8	3	
				8	2		1	
			4				9	

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Claiming, Hidden Pairs, XY-Wing, XYZ-Wing, VWXYZ-Wing, 2-String Kite, Skyscraper, Grouped 2-String Kite, X-Cycle

#24 (ID: #64313)

SCORE: 298

STEPS: 70

Level 10

	9			6			4	
			5					
		8						
	4		3	7				8
	6		8			1	9	
			1					3
	8	5					1	
6				3				
		3		5			6	4

Techs: Naked Single, Hidden Single, Pointing, Skyscraper, Turbot Fish, Grouped 2-String Kite, X-Cycle, Unique Rectangle Type 4

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#1 (ID: #410946)

9	8	6	1	3	5	7	2	4
2	3	1	7	4	6	5	8	9
5	4	7	9	2	8	6	1	3
6	9	8	2	1	4	3	5	7
3	1	4	6	5	7	8	9	2
7	2	5	3	8	9	1	4	6
4	6	9	5	7	1	2	3	8
8	5	3	4	6	2	9	7	1
1	7	2	8	9	3	4	6	5

#2 (ID: #451801)

7	9	6	2	4	3	8	5	1
4	2	5	7	1	8	9	6	3
8	3	1	5	6	9	2	4	7
5	1	3	4	9	7	6	8	2
9	4	2	6	8	1	3	7	5
6	7	8	3	2	5	4	1	9
1	5	9	8	3	6	7	2	4
3	8	4	1	7	2	5	9	6
2	6	7	9	5	4	1	3	8

#3 (ID: #463265)

5	9	3	8	6	1	7	4	2
7	1	2	3	5	4	6	9	8
8	6	4	7	2	9	1	3	5
6	2	5	9	4	3	8	1	7
1	8	9	5	7	2	4	6	3
4	3	7	6	1	8	5	2	9
2	5	8	4	9	6	3	7	1
9	7	6	1	3	5	2	8	4
3	4	1	2	8	7	9	5	6

#4 (ID: #465095)

5	3	1	7	6	8	2	4	9
9	2	8	5	1	4	7	3	6
6	4	7	2	9	3	8	1	5
7	9	4	1	3	5	6	2	8
1	6	2	4	8	9	5	7	3
8	5	3	6	7	2	4	9	1
3	7	5	8	2	1	9	6	4
4	1	6	9	5	7	3	8	2
2	8	9	3	4	6	1	5	7

#5 (ID: #484847)

1	4	9	6	7	5	8	3	2
7	8	3	4	2	1	9	5	6
2	6	5	3	8	9	7	1	4
5	3	6	8	9	4	1	2	7
8	9	7	1	6	2	3	4	5
4	2	1	7	5	3	6	9	8
3	1	8	2	4	6	5	7	9
6	5	2	9	3	7	4	8	1
9	7	4	5	1	8	2	6	3

#6 (ID: #524983)

7	9	3	6	8	4	2	5	1
8	2	1	9	5	7	3	4	6
4	6	5	1	3	2	8	7	9
5	7	8	3	2	1	9	6	4
3	1	2	4	6	9	5	8	7
9	4	6	5	7	8	1	2	3
1	5	7	8	9	6	4	3	2
2	3	9	7	4	5	6	1	8
6	8	4	2	1	3	7	9	5

#7 (ID: #524990)

4	3	8	2	5	9	7	6	1
5	7	1	3	6	4	8	9	2
9	2	6	1	8	7	5	4	3
6	4	5	8	7	1	3	2	9
8	1	7	9	2	3	6	5	4
3	9	2	6	4	5	1	7	8
1	6	4	5	3	2	9	8	7
7	8	3	4	9	6	2	1	5
2	5	9	7	1	8	4	3	6

#8 (ID: #524997)

3	8	9	2	7	6	4	5	1
7	4	1	8	5	3	9	6	2
6	2	5	1	9	4	7	3	8
5	3	7	9	4	1	8	2	6
9	1	4	6	2	8	5	7	3
8	6	2	5	3	7	1	4	9
1	5	3	7	8	2	6	9	4
4	9	8	3	6	5	2	1	7
2	7	6	4	1	9	3	8	5

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#9 (ID: #540040)

5	6	8	4	3	2	7	1	9
4	7	9	1	5	6	8	3	2
3	1	2	7	8	9	5	6	4
2	8	7	9	1	4	3	5	6
1	9	5	6	7	3	4	2	8
6	3	4	8	2	5	1	9	7
8	5	1	2	6	7	9	4	3
9	2	3	5	4	8	6	7	1
7	4	6	3	9	1	2	8	5

#10 (ID: #540041)

1	9	5	6	4	8	2	7	3
6	2	3	7	1	9	5	4	8
4	7	8	2	5	3	1	9	6
8	5	2	3	7	6	4	1	9
7	3	1	9	2	4	6	8	5
9	4	6	5	8	1	7	3	2
5	1	7	8	9	2	3	6	4
3	8	4	1	6	5	9	2	7
2	6	9	4	3	7	8	5	1

#11 (ID: #540057)

1	4	9	7	8	6	5	3	2
7	5	2	3	1	4	9	8	6
8	3	6	5	9	2	1	4	7
6	9	5	2	3	7	8	1	4
3	2	1	4	5	8	7	6	9
4	8	7	9	6	1	3	2	5
9	1	3	6	4	5	2	7	8
2	6	8	1	7	9	4	5	3
5	7	4	8	2	3	6	9	1

#12 (ID: #15404)

1	3	6	9	5	4	7	8	2
4	8	2	7	1	3	6	9	5
7	5	9	6	8	2	3	4	1
3	1	7	5	6	8	9	2	4
6	4	8	3	2	9	5	1	7
2	9	5	1	4	7	8	6	3
9	7	1	4	3	6	2	5	8
5	2	3	8	9	1	4	7	6
8	6	4	2	7	5	1	3	9

#13 (ID: #21926)

1	5	4	3	2	7	8	9	6
8	3	2	5	9	6	7	1	4
6	9	7	1	8	4	3	2	5
5	6	8	2	4	1	9	3	7
3	2	1	7	6	9	5	4	8
4	7	9	8	3	5	1	6	2
2	8	5	4	1	3	6	7	9
9	4	3	6	7	8	2	5	1
7	1	6	9	5	2	4	8	3

#14 (ID: #31084)

4	7	2	6	8	1	9	5	3
8	1	9	4	3	5	6	7	2
5	6	3	7	9	2	4	1	8
7	4	5	1	2	9	8	3	6
6	9	1	3	7	8	5	2	4
3	2	8	5	4	6	1	9	7
2	5	4	8	1	7	3	6	9
1	8	7	9	6	3	2	4	5
9	3	6	2	5	4	7	8	1

#15 (ID: #32244)

5	2	4	6	3	9	7	8	1
6	9	8	7	1	4	2	5	3
7	1	3	5	2	8	6	9	4
4	6	9	1	8	7	3	2	5
1	8	5	3	6	2	9	4	7
3	7	2	4	9	5	8	1	6
2	5	7	9	4	6	1	3	8
8	4	1	2	7	3	5	6	9
9	3	6	8	5	1	4	7	2

#16 (ID: #45650)

3	4	8	9	2	7	6	1	5
5	6	2	3	1	4	8	9	7
9	7	1	6	5	8	2	3	4
6	9	3	4	7	1	5	8	2
7	8	4	2	9	5	3	6	1
2	1	5	8	6	3	7	4	9
4	5	7	1	3	6	9	2	8
1	3	9	7	8	2	4	5	6
8	2	6	5	4	9	1	7	3

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#17 (ID: #45960)

9	4	5	8	7	6	1	2	3
1	6	3	2	5	9	7	4	8
2	7	8	4	3	1	5	6	9
4	5	1	9	6	2	8	3	7
8	2	9	3	1	7	4	5	6
7	3	6	5	4	8	2	9	1
6	8	2	1	9	4	3	7	5
3	1	7	6	2	5	9	8	4
5	9	4	7	8	3	6	1	2

#18 (ID: #49217)

9	5	6	8	1	4	3	2	7
1	7	4	9	2	3	8	5	6
8	2	3	5	6	7	1	9	4
2	4	5	6	7	1	9	3	8
6	8	1	3	9	2	7	4	5
3	9	7	4	5	8	2	6	1
7	6	2	1	3	5	4	8	9
4	3	9	7	8	6	5	1	2
5	1	8	2	4	9	6	7	3

#19 (ID: #54840)

2	5	4	6	8	3	7	1	9
8	3	9	1	2	7	4	5	6
6	1	7	5	4	9	2	3	8
7	8	5	4	9	1	6	2	3
3	4	6	2	7	8	5	9	1
1	9	2	3	6	5	8	7	4
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